

New Life and Spirit at Howard

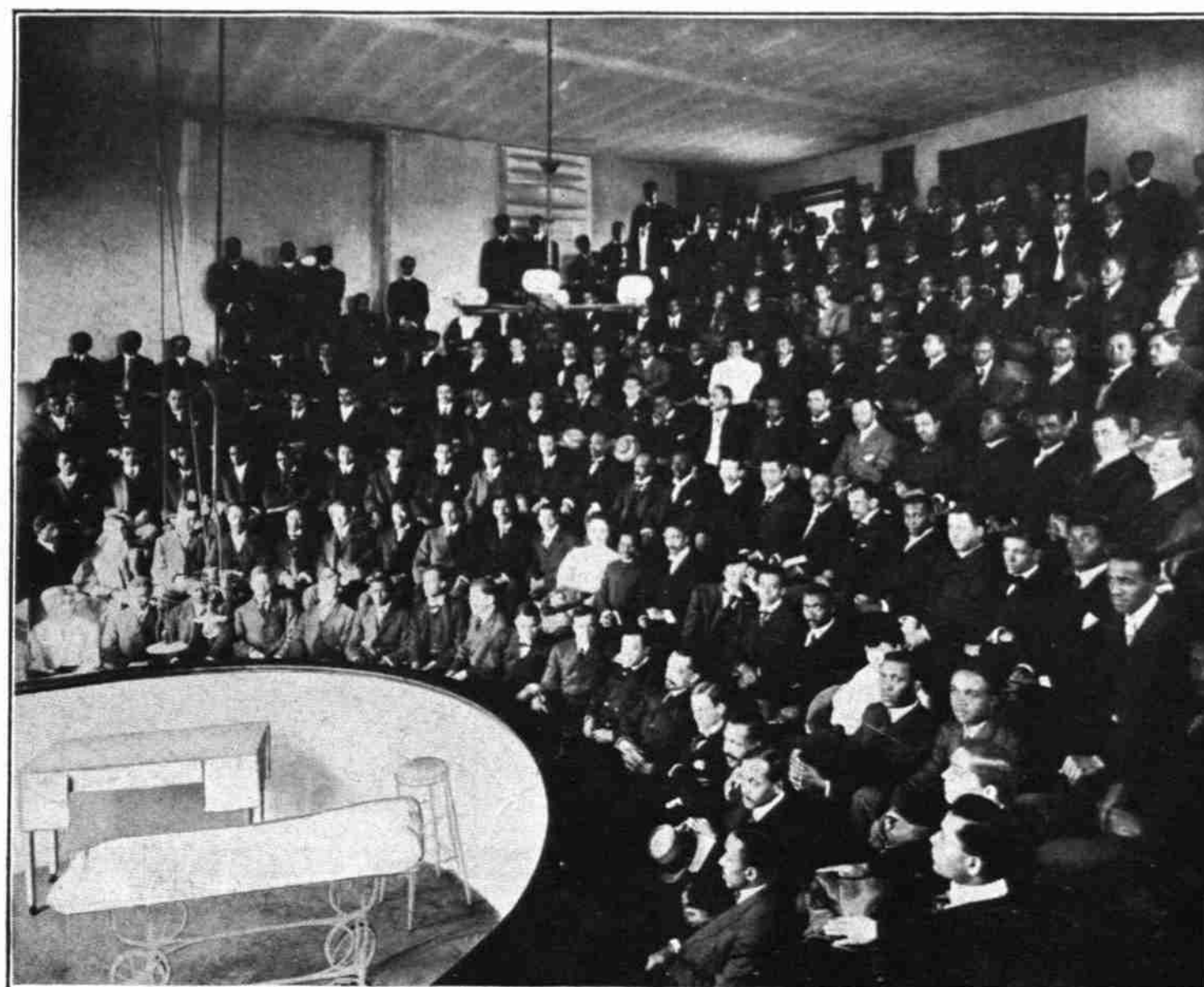
Under the administration of President Thirkield, Howard University is taking on new life and spirit, and there is a new awakening in all branches and departments of university activity.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie's offer of a \$50,000 library building has now become available through provision of the trustees of an annual income of \$5,000 for maintenance and management. Plans for this building have already been drawn and it will be ready for use at the opening of school next fall. This building will accommodate the 50,000 books and pamphlets already accumulated and make room for future growth and expansion.

Congress has just provided a science building for the university at a cost of \$90,000. This item caused a heated discussion on its passage, but was finally decided in favor of the university. This building is to accommodate the departments of physics, chemistry, and biology, and will be available during next school year. The new laboratories in the several departments of science, with the requisite apparatus and facilities, will enable the institution to do adequate work according to up-to-date standards of science teaching. A central steam-heating plant has been finished during the past year.

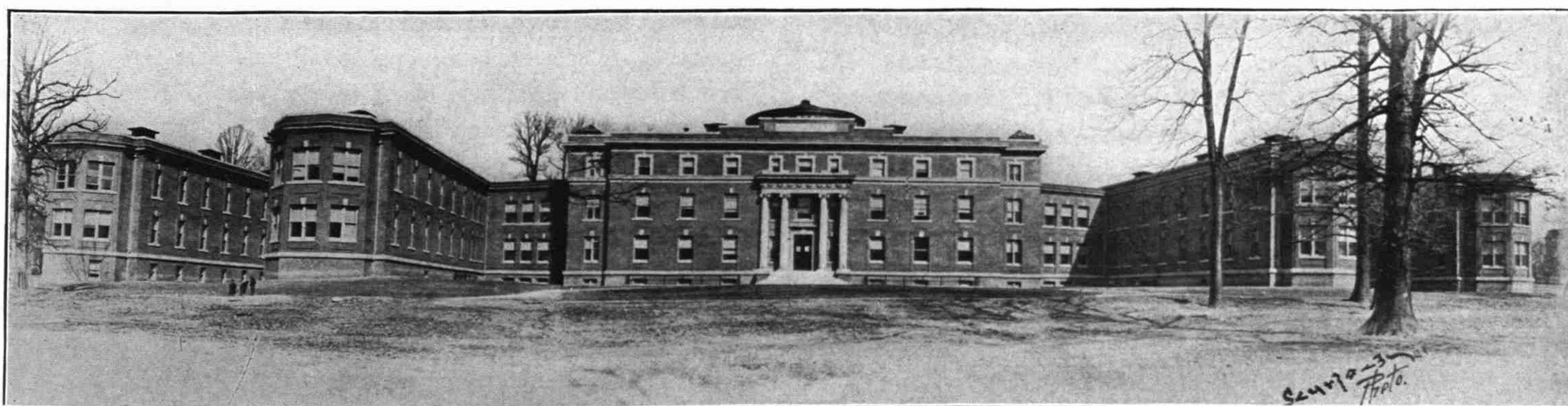
The university is greatly in need of adequate dormitory facilities. The present dormitories will not accommodate more than 250 out of a total student body of 1,200. There is also urgent need of a gymnasium for physical development. The alumni association, with the coöperation of the trustees, will undertake the erection of a gymnasium at a cost of \$15,000. The addition

of two buildings costing \$140,000 to the permanent equipment of the university has awakened the highest enthusiasm among its patrons, alumni, and well-wishers throughout the country.



AMPHITHEATER, MEDICAL BUILDING, HOWARD UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D. C.

The medical department has grown from a college with 4 professors, 1 demonstrator, and 8 students in 1867, to a department with 46 professors and instructors, and 412 students, nearly all of whom are graduates of colleges or high schools. It is stated that one third of all the educated colored physicians in the country are graduates of Howard University School of Medicine.



FREEDMEN'S HOSPITAL, HOWARD UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Extensive new buildings, costing about \$500,000, have been erected in a park of eleven acres, opposite the present medical building. The bill providing for the new hospital building, says, "The trustees of Howard University shall be required to supply all medical and surgical service without cost to the United States and the District of Columbia." This provision gives to the medical school clinical facilities probably not surpassed by any medical school in the country.